Frederick County Child Health Partnership December 4, 2008 Meeting Minutes

Present: Tom Werner, SVDP and Healthcare Coalition

Angie Blair, FCHD Dr. Jackie Douge', FCHD Debbie Rhoades, MCE

Darylle Smoot, GSCNC Nancy Lord, FMH Wellness

Christa Williams, FCPS Health Services

I. Introductions / Updates of members:

- a. Nancy Lord, from the FMH Wellness Center and the Healthy Weigh Program described program. The focus is not necessarily loosing weight but getting healthy. The entire family comes to the appointments. They have a registered dietician, a behaviorist and an exercise physiologist on staff under the direction of Dr. Lee.
- b. Darylle Smoot, from Girl Scout Council of the Nations Capital, talked about the Frederick Co. Learning Centers at Title 1 schools. The program works with at-risk students who are chosen to receive tutoring after school. Organizations, such as GSCNC, YMCA, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Young Rembrandts, have been involved with the activity portion of this program.
- c. Debbie Rhodes, MCE, handed out evidence based literature on milk composition as affected by label claims and farm management practices due to a concern that was raised last meeting. An electronic copy of the article is attached with the minutes.
- d. Dr. Douge' will speak to the Fetal Mortality Review Board on behalf of FCCHP in January.
- e. Angie Blair, FCHD, Chair of Diabetes Coalition, had a diabetes screening event at Frederick Town mall on Nov. 20th. They saw 51 people and had other resources available to connect people with services and care providers. The next event will be in March.
- II. Tom Werner spoke about his concern of the overlap in people in a lot of the same meetings and coalitions. Discussion took place on collapsing the health coalitions under one umbrella organization as they have done in Carroll County. The priorities would align under health and then have task forces in specific areas. The benefits would be that it would be more likely to gain access to grants, more administrative support (if the umbrella coalition could hire someone) and one organization applying for 501(c) 3 status.
 - a. The members took a vote and the majority would be in favor to explore this option as long as our mission does not get lost.

b. Tom will set up a meeting with the coalition chairs (Healthcare Coalition, FCCHP and the Diabetes Coalition).

Next meeting date is tentatively scheduled for: Thursday, March 26, 2009 at 9:00am

Other scheduled meeting dates that we have the space reserved: Thursday, May 28, 2009

Thursday, May 28, 2009 Thursday, July 23, 2009 Thursday, September 24, 2009 Thursday, November 19, 2009